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## RUSSIAN ARMY CLOSING IN ON SOVIET GOV'T.

DENIKENE'S ARMY AND FORCES  
FROM NORTH CLOSING IN ON  
RED'S CAPITAL

## LINE SMASHED ON WIDE FRONT

Bolsheviks Lose Thousands of Prisoners  
When City of Orel Falls;  
Poles Begin Offensive

London, Oct. 15.—With General Denikene's army advancing from the south and northwestern Russian forces almost within striking distance of Petrograd, the soviet government of Russia appeared today to be facing a crisis.

The northwestern Russian army apparently has crashed through the bolshevik lines over a wide front, and the capture of Yamburg and later developments indicate that the line of advance is to be 125 miles in length.

London, Oct. 15.—General Denikene's anti-bolshevik army has captured the important city of Orel, together with thousands of prisoners, it is announced in advices received here today.

Stockholm, Oct. 15.—The Poles have begun an offensive against German-Russian forces in the Baltic region and are reported to have captured Kovno, near the Courland border.

## DENY HUNS WILL RESORT TO "DUMPING SYSTEM"

Lipsic, Oct. 15.—Robert Schmidt, Germany's food and economic minister, in a speech at the Lipsic fair said Germany was "sick with two diseases, lack of raw materials and fuel."

"During my visit to the fair buildings," he said, "I heard constant complaints about the lack of coal. We have the workers and we have the orders in plenty, we can easily get millions, even billions of orders. But when I asked each individual exhibitor why he did not accept orders he replied invariably that he lacked raw material and fuel. It is true that every effort is being made to force Germany back into an inferior place, not in the usual way of competition but through political methods. German trade however, will build its way in world trade for no power can prevent the hunger for goods where it can be advantageously satisfied."

"People are accusing us of again having recourse to the 'dumping system.' We do not merit this accusation, and I must deny it most energetically. I have the hope that in spite of all hindrances we will soon climb up to prosperity if work and constructive power, raw materials and coal are placed at our disposal in sufficient quantities."

"We need the world market. The pressure will be removed from Germany, and we will get credit abroad. We must be convinced that we are again to climb. This people is not to be destroyed economically. If all energies revive I hope that we are not at the end of our rope, but that the German people will overcome these sad days and that the joyful times will come again. I am building on the never failing creative power of our industry, our technique, art and science."

## ITALY NAMES REPRESENTATIVE

Rome, Oct. 15.—It is officially announced here today that Foreign Minister Tittoni will represent Italy in the league of nations.

## H. ALBERS' APPEAL BE HEARD TODAY

Wealthy Miller of Portland, Accused  
of Disloyalty, Will Be Given  
Second Hearing

Portland, Oct. 15.—Henry Albers' appeal in the United States court of appeals will be heard in San Francisco today. United States Attorney Haney and his first assistant, Barnett Goldstein, are now in San Francisco ready to represent the government.

The Albers case is one of the most noted local trials growing out of the war. Mr. Albers, who was formerly president of the Albers Bros. Milling Co., was found guilty in federal court of making invidious comparisons between the United States and Germany. All the witnesses testified that the miller was under the influence of liquor at the time, the statements being made in the smoking compartment of a sleeping car while Mr. Albers was returning to Portland from San Francisco.

After a long deliberation the jury returned a verdict of guilty and Albers was sentenced to three years in the federal prison at McNeil's island and a fine of \$10,000 was imposed. The defendant now is appealing his case to the tribunal sitting in San Francisco. Owing to the prominence of Mr. Albers and his supposed wealth the case attracted more than ordinary interest, following as it did the trial of Dr. Marie Equi, convicted of making statements derogatory to the American soldiers, Dr. Equi being identified with the Industrial Workers of the World.

## PAINS ORDERS U. S. TROOPS TO EMBARK FOR SILESIA

Washington, Oct. 14.—American troops which will form part of the force to occupy the province of Silesia if such action is ordered by the supreme council in Paris, will sail this week from New York on the transport President Grant, Secretary Baker announced today.

## ROGUE VALLEY PRODUCTS AT THE FRIDAY DINNER

A Rogue valley products dinner will be one of the features upon the program for the entertainment of the visiting business men who will be here with the Portland excursionists Friday. The dinner will be served at the courthouse at 6:30 in the evening and will be arranged by the ladies of the auxiliary. The menu, as far as possible, will be composed of products of the Rogue valley, and will include corn fed turkey, luscious strawberries, and many other dishes and viands that are now obtainable. One course will no doubt be of Rogue river steelhead trout. Places at the banquet board should be reserved without delay.

The various committees having the details of the day's entertainment in hand are making excellent progress in bringing the details into shape, and the complete program will be announced tomorrow. The dinner places can be reserved by notifying Geo. Lundburg or Sam H. Baker, the committee in charge of the ticket sale.

## GEISHA GIRLS JOIN THE STRIKE CROWDS

Honolulu, T. H., Oct. 15.—Japanese Geisha girls of Honolulu have won a short-lived strike for an increase in pay and hereafter will receive \$1.50 an hour, an increase of 50 cents over the former rate. Tea garden proprietors will pass the additional entertainment cost on to their patrons. The Geisha girls demanded the increase because of the high cost of living. Rice has gone up several dollars a sack.

## STRIKES STILL OCCUPY SPOTLIGHT IN AMERICA

Capital Asks For Immediate Settlement—President Opposed  
to Adjournment of Labor Conference—15,000 Longshoremen Return, But Coal Miners Ordered Out

Washington, Oct. 15.—The demand that organized labor's proposal for arbitration of the steel strike be made an immediate issue in the national industrial conference was made today by the capital group, after the public group had proposed that action be postponed until Thursday. The latter proposal was adopted.

Washington, Oct. 15.—President Wilson will not sanction the adjournment of the industrial conference until it has exhausted every means of finding a solution of the present industrial situation, it was announced today.

The president declared that the situation in the conference resulting from labor's demand for arbitration of the steel strike should not endanger the ultimate success of the conference.

Gary, Ind., Oct. 15.—Purporting to be a proclamation of the communist party of America, a handbill advocating the overthrow of the military in Gary was given to correspondents at the afternoon press conference with Colonel W. H. Mages, commander of the troops occupying the city, who stated four copies were found in possession of a striker who

was stopped on the street by a secret service man, but not arrested.

New York, Oct. 15.—The longshoremen's strike which has paralyzed port activities here for several days were broken today when the ferry workers returned to work and 15,000 longshoremen resumed their labors. Union leaders said that all longshoremen would return to work by Friday.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 15.—An order calling upon the bituminous coal miners of the country to "cease production of coal at midnight, Friday, October 31," was issued from international headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America at noon today.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is confined to his home here in a state of nervous exhaustion. He is under the doctor's orders to remain in bed.

After the announcement of Mr. Gompers' illness by his secretary upon the convening of the labor conference today, a later message from Gompers said that he would attend the conference tomorrow.

## MILLER BEING HELD FOR MURDER OF WIFE

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 15.—No evidence indicating murder or suicide had been found up to today by officials investigating the drowning here Monday of Mrs. Walter Miller, said T. H. Patterson, deputy prosecuting attorney. Miller is being held on an open charge.

Mrs. Miller's body was recovered today. There were no marks on her body, but an inquest will be held.

## U. S. SHIPBUILDING SURPRISES ENGLAND

London, Oct. 15.—Sir Herbert Rowell, formerly president of the British Shipbuilding Employers' Federation, who has just returned from a four months' tour of the United States, Japan and China to investigate shipbuilding in those countries, says he is convinced that Great Britain can hold its own place in the struggle to maintain supremacy only by exerting every ounce of its energy and brains.

"While in America," he says, "I felt myself in the midst of circumstances which conveyed conclusively to my mind a real potentiality both in shipbuilding and shipowning. I cannot dispel from my mind the possibility of serious rivalry in the future when I picture the transformation which had taken place in America."

"I was surprised to find that shipbuilding in China and Japan was so far advanced. When China awakens we shall have another serious rival to face."

"Japan," he says, "has not developed her shipbuilding industry in the same degree as the United States. Raw material is her greatest need and difficulty in shipbuilding and, in addition, the Japanese have not got commercial enterprise in the same degree as the Americans. Generally speaking the Japanese will not risk their money as the Americans do."

## WILSON IMPROVING SAYS DR. GRAYSON

Washington, Oct. 15.—The president had a good night's rest and continues to show improvement, according to a bulletin issued today by his physicians. His condition which caused restlessness Monday night, the bulletin said, gave no trouble last night, and the president enjoyed his breakfast this morning.

## AL. BURLISON JOLLIES THE HARDWARE MEN

Atlantic City, Oct. 15.—Postmaster General Burlison today told the national hardware association in a speech here that the postal administration was "remarkable in development, wonderful in organization, and that its standard of efficiency borders on the miraculous."

It was Mr. Burlison's first public address since entering the cabinet.

## CITY STRIPPED BARE BY OPPOSING ARMIES

Paris, Oct. 15.—American Red Cross relief men just returned here from Budapest tell a harrowing story of the extremes to which the civil population were reduced when the bolshevik and Rumanian armies struggled for the mastery of the city, and staple food supplies disappeared from the market.

As the troops swept on leaving behind them cavalry and artillery horses killed in action, men and women from the Budapest suburbs, made desperate by privation, descended upon the battlefields and vied with one another for the meat supply thus made available. They fell upon the carcasses cutting away chunks of meat with pocket knives and cleavers, and carrying them off wrapped in old newspapers.

## HUNS USING POISON GAS IN RIGA FIGHT

Letts and Estonians Defending Positions; Criticize Allies for Agreeing to Armistice

London, Oct. 15.—Direct news from Latvia is being delayed on account of the disturbed state of telegraphic communication. Reports have been received in official circles, however, showing that the Letts are splendidly defending their positions at Riga against the invaders, while the Estonian government has already rushed every available armored car to their assistance.

Considerable bitterness is displayed by newspapers in Estonia in regard to the policy followed by the allies. These papers assert that the German forces in the Baltic had been defeated last July and that the campaign would have been carried to a victorious completion if the allies had not insisted upon an armistice.

The labor organ, Wabams, declares that the menace to Latvia threatens the entire peace of all Europe.

Copenhagen, Oct. 15.—"The Germans are attacking Riga with poison gas and also bombarding the town with trench mortars," says a Lettish foreign office communication issued Monday.

## FOOTBALL AND DANCE ON ARMISTICE DAY

Final organization of the local post of the American Legion was effected Tuesday night at the business meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce.

Nominations for post officers having been made at a previous meeting, final action was taken and the following staff will administer the affairs of Grants Pass Post No. 28, for the ensuing year:

Post Commander—Neil R. Allen.  
Post vice-commander—Harry Harper.

Post adjutant—Dr. Elmer J. Billick.

Post finance officer—Hal Truax.

Post historian—Charles Dana Ament.

Post chaplain—Karl M. Winetrou.

Executive committee—Jesse N. Johnston, Luther Tingley, James M. Lum, Wilbur Bears and Allen Underwood.

Plans for a fitting celebration on November 11, Armistice day, were discussed at length, with the decision made to stage a football game in the afternoon and to make a big social event of the American Legion dance in the evening.

The American Legion is organizing a football team of service men, and will challenge a Legion team from Medford or Ashland for a game here on Armistice day. The entire legion membership of the post accepting the challenge will be the invited guests of the local service men on that day, and will be the guests of honor at the dance.

Fred T. Collins was appointed football manager and already has his team under way. Excellent material is at hand this year for an exceptionally heavy and aggressive American Legion team.

The post commander appointed a dance committee of three, fully empowered to proceed with plans for the Armistice day ball. The committee is working under a voted authorization of the post to make of the dance as brilliant an affair as is possible.

James M. Lum is chairman of the Armistice day ball committee and is aided by Karl Winetrou and Gale Smith.

Paris, Oct. 15.—Formal ratification of the peace treaty with Germany will not take place this week, as had been expected, it was announced today by the American delegation at the peace conference. The postponement is indefinite.

## GREAT PLANE RACE RESUMED BY SKY PILOTS

"FLYING PARSON" PASSES SALT  
LAKE TODAY NOON ON WAY  
EAST

## CARL SPATZ RETURNING WEST

Martin Bombing Plane Wrecked Near  
Omaha; Doty Burned to Death  
When Plane Falls

Salt Lake City, Oct. 15.—Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, eastbound on his return flight in the transcontinental airplane race, left here today at 12:28.

Mineola, N. Y., Oct. 15.—Major Carl Spatz started on his return flight to San Francisco at 2:28 today, in the transcontinental airplane race.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—Lieutenant R. H. Sheridan and Lieutenant Colonel J. N. Reynolds, contestants in the transcontinental airplane race, arrived here today from Mineola, one minute apart.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 15.—The Martin bombing plane, entry No. 108, piloted by Captain Roy V. Francis, was completely wrecked and the pilot and his three passengers severely shaken up when the plane crashed to the ground in an alfalfa field a mile south of Yutan, 30 miles west of Omaha, shortly after 10 o'clock Tuesday. The plane was forced to land during a dense fog and became entangled in telephone wires which caused Captain Francis to lose control of the craft. The crew returned to Omaha aboard a train.

Automobiles loaded with 30 soldiers went to Yutan to salvage the wrecked plane.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 15.—Lieutenant J. T. Johnson, piloting plane No. 106 was severely bruised and the axle of his plane was broken when he attempted to make a landing about three miles from Ak-Sar-Ben field at 9:30 Tuesday when he lost his way in a dense fog. He later ascended and made his way to the flying field, landing there at 10:19:52.

Captain Felix Steine and observer Sergeant H. Meyers, piloting plane No. 22 on their way from Des Moines to Omaha, were forced to land in a corn field southeast of Council Bluffs when they became lost in the fog.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—Airplane No. 31, with Lieutenant B. W. Maynard as pilot and Sergeant W. E. Kline, observer left the Presidio here at 1:22 o'clock yesterday on the return flight to New York. This was the first plane to start the return journey from here, in the transcontinental air race.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 15.—Lyman W. Doty, pilot of one of the New York-Washington mail airplanes was burned to death today at the Rolling Road Golf club, Calonsville, a suburb, when his plane crashed nose first into the ground and the gasoline tank exploded. Doty's home was in Biggs, Cal.

## ENGLAND CAN'T GET RID OF HER RODENTS

London, Oct. 15.—Rats do a yearly damage in the United Kingdom of \$200,000,000, or nearly \$5 per head of population, according to generally accepted figures. The pre-war estimate of this damage was \$75,000,000. The seriousness of the situation has resulted in the inauguration of a country-wide campaign, headed by the board of agriculture, for the destruction of the pests.